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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Jim and LaVonne Prochaska
4 on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the opening of Jim's
5 Knoxville Tap in Milan; and

6 WHEREAS, Jim's Knoxville Tap and its 10,000-plus ceiling
7 and wall signatures is well-known for being a sports bar long
8 before anyone knew what a sports bar was; many famous
9 musicians, including Willie Nelson and Bobby Fisher, have
10 played in the bar; and

11 WHEREAS, Jim Prochaska is an advocate and major supporter
12 of St. Jude Children's Hospital; he has raised thousands of
13 dollars for Alzheimer's research and has always made himself
14 available for local causes and benefits; Jim and LaVonne have
15 supported local youth sports and donated a stretch of land
16 where youth baseball and softball teams play; the couple have
17 also sponsored two race car drivers, pic and dart teams,
18 bowling teams, tractor pull drivers, pool teams, and numerous
19 other groups; and

20 WHEREAS, Jim's Knoxville Tap will celebrate 50 years of
21 business with a special event on June 3, 2016; the event
22 includes a celebratory T-shirt, with part of the proceeds from

1 each shirt going to St. Jude Children's Hospital; and

2 WHEREAS, Jim and LaVonne Prochaska serve as models of hard
3 work, integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
4 Illinois; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 congratulate Jim and LaVonne Prochaska on the occasion of the
8 50th anniversary of the opening of Jim's Knoxville Tap and wish
9 them continued success and happiness in the future; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to Jim and LaVonne Prochaska as a symbol of our
13 esteem and respect.